## **CLAIMS**:

- 1. An ArsR protein comprising a portion of an ArsR protein consisting of an
  2 amino acid sequence that is at least 90% identical to the amino acid sequence
  3 of amino acids 1-97 of SEQ ID NO:2, which ArsR protein binds to a nucleic
  4 acid sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOS: 3, 4,5, 6, 7,
  5 8, 9, and 10.
- The ArsR protein of claim 1 which has an amino acid sequence of amino acids
   1-97 of SEQ ID NO:2.